GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH <u>ABSTRACT</u>

CRISIS MANAGEMENT PLAN – Crisis Management in the State of Andhra Pradesh – Constitution of State Crisis Management Group – Orders – Issued.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (SC.A) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. No. 724 Dated: 15-12-2008

ORDER:

In the aftermath of terrorist attacks on Mumbai, Government have reviewed the security situation and preparedness for responding to any situation, to contain the damage and casualties and for recovery and restoration of normalcy within a reasonable time. It is realized that crisis may arise, besides natural calamities, due to attacks by extremists, terrorists, communal violence, riots, break down of law and order etc., occurring within the State or outside, but having an impact within the State. Though, there are Standard Operating Procedures to deal with different kinds of disasters and a State Level Disaster Management Authority is in place, it is felt that timely response is the key to Crisis Management, which includes threat assessment, deployment of resources, providing public services such as fire, medical, transport, public works, media management etc. to deal with the crisis. Therefore, Government have decided that a high level Committee has to be constituted, which is different from the existing State Disaster Management Committee.

Accordingly, Government hereby constitute the State Crisis Management Group, with the following Officers:-

(1) Chief Secretary to Govt. - Chairman;
(2) Spl. Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary to Govt., Home Dept. - Member;
(3) Spl. Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/

Secretary to Govt., Energy Dept. - Member;

(4) Spl. Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/
Secretary to Govt., HM & FW Dept. - Member;
(5) Spl. Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary/

Secretary to Govt., TR&B Dept. - Member; (6) Spl. Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/

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Secretary to Govt., MA &UD Dept. - Member;

(7) Commissioner, Information & Public Relations
 & E.O. Secretary to Government
 - Member;
 (8) Director General of Police, A.P.
 - Member;

(9) General Manager, Telecommunications,A.P. Circle - Member;

(10) Spl. Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/
Secretary to Govt. (Political), GAD - Coordinator.

The Group shall act as a single command to deal with any of the crisis stated above and would interact with and exchange information with Government of India, other security agencies, etc. and would take care of media management, etc. so as to mitigate the panic, provide necessary succor to the victims and proceed with the relief and other operations smoothly without hindrance. If the Chief Secretary to Government is not available at the time of crisis, the next senior most IAS Officer in the Committee shall act as Protem Chairman of the Committee. Once a crisis occurs, all the members of the Committee should get in touch with the Coordinator of the Committee. In case any member of the Committee is out of station or otherwise not available, the next senior most in the respective department shall attend the meetings and coordinate activities assigned to the respective department. In case, the Director General of Police is not available and no officer is placed incharge of the post of DGP, the Additional DG/IG, Law & Order shall attend the meetings.

Action to be taken by the concerned Departments in the crisis situations is appended to this order. This is only illustrative and not exhaustive.

The Home Department shall continue to deal with the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) under Crisis Management Plan dealing with terrorist attacks etc., as prescribed by Government of India.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

R.M. GONELA PRNCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (POLITICAL)

То

All Departments of Secretariat.

All members of the Committee.

Copy to:

The Director General of Police, A.P., Hyderabad.

All Heads of Departments.

All District Collectors.

All Superintendents of Police.

All Commissioners of Police.

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APPENDIX

(i) **HOME DEPARTMENT**:

To ensure appreciation of potential threats and targets, prioritize them and arrange for allotment of adequate resources for their security; maintenance of up-to-date records of site plans of locations attacked/affected, requirement of resources in terms of men and material to provide security; requirement of additional resources/assistance from the Central Government, deployment of forces, etc. The Police Department to be activated to cordon off affected areas, controlling crowds, alerting people to take shelter in safe places, etc. It will also provide the services of Fire & Emergency Services Department, who hall deploy all their men and equipment at strategic / required locations.

ENERGY DEPT.

Management of electricity supply etc. Restoration of power supply, in case of failure, within a minimum reasonable time or switching off power supply if the situation warrants.

HM & FW DEPT.

To provide ambulance service and medical facilities to the injured, etc. Interacting with all nearby hospitals and ensuring mobilization of adequate facilities.

TRANSPORT, ROADS & BUILDINGS DEPT.

To provide adequate transport facilities, to deploy required machinery to remove debris from the scene of incident after formalities are over.

MA & UD DEPT.

To provide water supply, removal of debris, etc. so as to make way for rescue vehicles and the plans of the area and targeted/affected buildings.

I & PR DEPT.

Media Management. To provide vetted relevant information to the media without jeopardizing the ongoing or subsequent operations, to prevent spread of rumors, false information and malicious propaganda.

R.M. GONELA PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (POLITICAL)

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